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Birth Outcomes Surveillance Data and Information

California Birth Defects Monitoring Database, California Birth Defects Monitoring Program

The California Birth Defects Monitoring Program (CBDMP) collects and analyzes data to identify opportunities for preventing birth defects and improving the health of babies.

http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/CBDMP/Pages/default.aspx. Data are available pending IRB approval.

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MIHA (The Maternal and Infant Health Assessment), California Department of Public Health

The Maternal and Infant Health Assessment, or MIHA, is an annual, statewide-representative survey of women with a recent live birth in California. MIHA collects self-reported information about maternal and infant experiences and about maternal attitudes and behaviors before, during and shortly after pregnancy.

http://www.cdph.ca.gov/data/surveys/MIHA/Pages/MaternalandInfantHealthAssessment(MIHA)survey.aspx

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LA HOPE Survey (Los Angeles Health Overview of a Pregnancy Event), Los Angeles County Department of Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health

As part of the Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FiMR) process, the L. A. HOPE survey provides key information about maternal experiences, attitudes, and histories for fetal and infant death cases in Los Angeles County. The L. A. HOPE survey is adapted from the Los Angeles Mommy and Baby (LAMB) survey which asks women who have recently given birth about the time before, during, and after their pregnancy.

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/mch/LAHOPE/Family/LAHOPE_About_fam.htm
**LAMB Survey (Los Angeles Mommy and Baby Project)**, Los Angeles County Department of Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health

The LAMB survey data are conducted by the Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Division by surveying mothers who have recently given birth. The survey contains a series of questions about events that happened before, during and after their pregnancy.


**California Vital Statistics Dataset**, California Department of Public Health

Data collected on each birth in California, including demographic information about parents and some questions about health behaviors and economic status.

Data can be obtained through IRB approval.

[http://www.cdph.ca.gov/data/Pages/Default.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/data/Pages/Default.aspx)

**Patient Discharge Data**, California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development

The California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) provides public data sets of inpatient, emergency care, and ambulatory surgery data collected from licensed California hospitals, hospital emergency departments, and licensed freestanding ambulatory surgery clinics in California. Each record within the data sets consists of either one inpatient discharge, or one outpatient encounter, also known as a service visit.

Data can be obtained through IRB approval.

[http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HID/Products/PatDischargeData/PublicDataSet/index.html](http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HID/Products/PatDischargeData/PublicDataSet/index.html)

**CHIS Survey (California Health Interview Survey)**, UCLA Center for Research Policy

The California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) is the nation's largest state health survey and a critical source of data on Californians as well as on the state's various racial and ethnic groups.

[http://healthpolicy.ucla.edu/chis/Pages/default.aspx](http://healthpolicy.ucla.edu/chis/Pages/default.aspx)

**Public Health Foundation Enterprises (PHFE) WIC Program Data Mining Project**, PHFE WIC Program

The primary goal of the Data Mining Project is to provide comprehensive data about the low-income 0-5 population in Los Angeles County. PHFE WIC collaborates with the California State WIC Program and the six other Local Agency WIC Programs in Los Angeles County to collect and analyze WIC data.

[http://www.phfewic.org/Projects/DataHome.aspx](http://www.phfewic.org/Projects/DataHome.aspx)

**Los Angeles County Health Survey**, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Office of Health Assessment and Epidemiology

The Los Angeles County Health Survey is a population based telephone survey that provides information concerning the health of Los Angeles County residents. The data are used for assessing health-related needs of the population, for program planning and policy development, and for program evaluation.

[http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ha/hasurveyintro.htm](http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ha/hasurveyintro.htm)
**Strong Start for Mothers and Newborns**, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

This initiative is a joint effort between the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and the Administration on Children and Families (ACF). The Strong Start effort tests new approaches to prenatal care and evaluates enhanced prenatal care interventions for women enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP who are at risk for having a preterm birth. The goal of the initiative is to determine if these approaches to care can reduce the rate of preterm births, improve the health outcomes of pregnant women and newborns, and decrease the anticipated total cost of medical care during pregnancy, delivery and over the first year of life for children born to mothers in Medicaid or CHIP.


**Tracking Preconception and Interconception Health Indicators in Los Angeles County**, Los Angeles County Department of Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health

To make preconception and interconception health related data accessible to the public, nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and health specialists, MCAH Programs adopted the CDC Core Preconception Health and Health Care Indicators as a frame work and guide for the development of the LAC indicators. The indicators are grouped in the following domains where the detailed description of each indicator and related data are provided:

- General Health Status & Life Satisfaction
- Social Determinants of Health
- Health Care
- Reproductive Health & Family Planning
- Tobacco, Alcohol & Substance Use
- Nutrition & Physical Activity
- Mental Health
- Emotional & Social Support
- Chronic Conditions
- Infections


**The University of California Research eXchange (UC-ReX) Data Explorer**

The University of California Research eXchange (UC-ReX) Data Explorer enables UC investigators to identify potential research study cohorts at the five UC medical centers. Users can conduct interactive searches of data derived from patient care activities at Davis, Irvine, San Diego and San Francisco as well as UCLA. UC-ReX is used primarily for assessing potential cohort sizes for writing grants and project planning.

Cohort counts rather than data sets are available through the UC-ReX Data Explorer. These are based on de-identified data extracted from each institution’s clinical data warehouse, transformed into a common data representation, and stored in a separate, dedicated data repository at each institution. Currently, demographics, diagnosis, and the top 150+ laboratory orders are available for querying. We will be anticoagulant medications, vital status, and CPT codes in the near future. Coming soon is LADR which is a different data repository system tying together patient data initially from UCLA and Cedars and over the next few years will expand to include many other provider organizations in the LA Region.

[http://www.ctsi.ucla.edu/research/pages/ucrex](http://www.ctsi.ucla.edu/research/pages/ucrex)
**Healthy City, The Advancement Project**

Healthy City is California's information and action resource for service referrals and social change. Healthy City provides data and mapping tools to help build a better community. The Healthy City team partners directly with organizations to develop research strategies and web tools that fuel social change. The Data Directory is home to a multitude of public datasets. Through the interactive website, users can create and save maps, create neighborhood boundaries, start a Live Mapping session, upload your own data, and more. Work created can be shared or promoted on the site through the site’s Story or Group features.

[www.healthycity.org](http://www.healthycity.org)

**Mapping Los Angeles, Los Angeles Times**

The Los Angeles Times’ interactive mapping project covers the 4,000 square miles of Los Angeles County. Data on schools, income, demographics, housing, and other information can be accessed by clicking on specific map sections or entering zip codes.


**Kaiser Permanente**

The Community Needs Assessment reports from Kaiser Permanente can be accessed via this site. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act requires nonprofit hospitals to conduct Community Health Needs Assessments (CHNAs), and to make these reports accessible to the public. Kaiser Permanente is pleased to make available its 2013 CHNAs. Conducting these assessments and making them available to the public meets Kaiser’s obligations under these new federal requirements. More than that, these assessments reflect Kaiser Permanente’s long-standing commitment to identify and address the most urgent health needs in the communities Kaiser serves.


**Community Health Needs Assessment**

The CHNA toolkit is a free web-based platform designed to assist hospitals and organizations seeking to better understand the needs and assets of their communities, and to collaborate to make measurable improvements in community health and well-being.

Additional Resources:

1. CityMach MCH Life Course Toolbox

2. CDC Preconception Health and Health Care - Women


5. Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Office of Health Assessment and Epidemiology, Key Indicator of Health by Service Planning Area, June 2009 retrieved from http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/docs/keyindicators.pdf